Repair work in CPWD colony

3000. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not repairing the broken staircase of Type III blocks of CPWD colony, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi;

(b) the reasons of not repairing the walls of Type-III blocks of this colony which are damaged by water seepage; and

(c) by when quarters of Type-III would be provided with front iron grill doors and the above works at (a) and (b) would be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) and (b) Staircase of 8 blocks of Type III houses were repaired in 2005-2006. Walls of 20 blocks of Type III houses were repaired in 2005-06 and 2006-07. Repair works of walls of 10 more blocks is in progress. The repair works in remaining houses could not be undertaken due to paucity of funds.

(c) Action has been initiated and the work will be executed in phased manner, subject to availability of funds.

Accident deaths at DMRC sites

3001. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons *i.e.* engineers, labourers, and others, who lost their lives due to accidents on construction sites of the DMRC since inception including those who died on the 12th and 13th July 2009, category-wise;

(b) the number out of them whose dependents have so far been provided employment by the DMRC or by the contractors and those likely to be provided employment shortly; and

(c) the cases in which no employment has been given nor is proposed to be given and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) As reported by the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) Ltd., the number of persons who lost their lives till 26th July, 2009 due to accidents on construction sites of the DMRC since inception including those who died on the 12th July, 2009 accident, category-wise, are as follows:—

Engineers	—	1
Labourers	—	93
Others	—	8
TOTAL:		102

No person died due to the accident on 13th July, 2009.

(b) and (c) DMRC has no policy to provide employment to the dependents of the persons who die due to accidents at its construction sites. There is no such practice followed by contractors also.

Financial assistance to Metro Rail projects

3002. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has sought financial assistance from Union Government for construction of proposed Metro Rail network in Hyderabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the quantum of assistance sought;

(c) whether Government has examined the proposal of the State Government;

(d) if so, the amount of financial assistance to be provided to the State;

(e) whether any policy/guidelines have been formulated in this regard for extending financial assistance to similar Metro Rail projects; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA RAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Proposal of Government of Andhra Pradesh for Hyderabad Metro Rail (MRTS) project was granted in principle, approval for grant of Viability Gap Funding of Rs. 2362.88 crore for a total project cost of Rs. 11,814 crore under the Scheme for Financial Support to Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) in Infrastructure on 30th July, 2008. The Financial Bid was opened by Government of Andhra Pradesh and the lowest bidder offered payments during different stages of Concession Period and did not seek any Grant. There would be 10% negative grant on the Project cost and the project is not entitled to the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) support. Government of Andhra Pradesh awarded the project to lowest bidder.

(e) and (f) Government of India is at present running two schemes which can support taking up of Metro Projects on Public Private Partnership (PPP):—

(1) **India Infrastructure Project Development Fund (IIPDF)** : The scheme is available for financial support for developing metro PPP projects; and

(2) **Scheme for Financial Support to Public Private Partnerships in infrastructure — Viability Gap Funding (Plan)** : The scheme is to provide financial support as Viability Gap Funding for enhancing viability of the project.

Quality of urban life

3003. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: